

COMMUNITY LIAISON DAILY REPORT 9.16.2017

OVERALL CONCERNS:

- Solid Waste Issues in Rural Areas
- CL's informed residence are using vinegar, hydrogen peroxide, etc efforts to clean mold.
- **Jefferson County:** No efforts in place for Water Testing of Wells
- **Liberty:** No Health Dept.
No Way to conduct private well testing.

In Liberty County several residents expressed concerns landlords painting over mold damaged areas.

- **Wharton:** EJ Communities elderly residence need private well testing. Need info where to direct residence to obtain financial resource for testing.
- **Montgomer/Chambers:** County looking for funding to provide Moisture Sensors to determine if properties are dry to start rebuilding. Residence do not have transportation to DRC's.
- **Orange:** Language barrier: Korean translations
- **ACTION: Brazoria/Cambodia Village: Issues of hostility. Must make connections with Steve Rosa/Brazoria County Emergency Mgmt. 979.849.5711 prior to contact with Cambodia Village.**

CL's advised not to conduct outreach in the Cambodia Village area. Provide information/resources to Brazoria County for distribution.

Wharton

Staffed the Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) to answer questions from residents. I handed out EPA publications to help residents recover from flooding. FEMA assisted with providing Wi-Fi. About 65 residents visited the DRC today.

I visited the Abundant Life Church in Wharton and provided the pastor with EPA publications. The pastor offered to duplicate them and also email blast our electronic copies. The congregation have asked for information like what I have to pass out. The

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Churches will announce at church tomorrow that FEMA and EPA is at the Civic center to answer questions on Hurricane Harvey recovery.

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Residents are concerned about how to safely clean their homes and property.

<p>church is also handing out perishable food and other goods to people impacted by the Hurricane Harvey.</p>	
Nueces/San Patricia/Aransas	
<p>Attended the Command and General Staff (C&G) meeting. Prior to the meeting, approached by Byron Hayes, USCG Deputy Liaison Officer for the Alpha Branch.</p> <p>He received a call from Danielle Hale who is the Rockport Public Safety Officer. She asked that we stop by her office in Rockport, which is in Aransas County: Address, 714 E. Concho Street, Rockport, Texas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Manager for Aransas County is Chief Rick McLester. The Chief was describing various actions taken during and after the hurricane including a call he received yesterday from the White House. No further details regarding that call were shared. Aransas Pass is located in three counties Aransas County has EOC briefings at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and invited EPA to attend. He stressed that the meetings started promptly at 4:00 p.m. and last 45 minutes. <p>We also learned that the Red Cross is setting up a large tent that will sleep 100 people in Rockport.</p> <p>20 people were evacuated to Austin and 50 to Corpus Christi.</p> <p>The County has a website with photos: HARVEY2017.EAGLEVIEW.COM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are spread very thin with a tri-county area and Victoria. <p>We sorely need a second team.</p> <p>There is enough work in these counties for the next several days at least, if not longer.</p> <p>Multiple environmental justice issues in rural Aransas and Nueces Co.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The coastal areas of these counties are very hard-hit and are still struggling with basic shelter, water, and food needs. There is a need in our counties for transportation to stationary DRCs, for which the counties can be reimbursed by FEMA. <p>We need to send someone to the Monday Aransas County EOC meeting on Monday at 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>We observed so massive debris in Port Aransas, Aransas Pass, and San Padre Island that it is not appropriate to take coordinates on piles.</p> <p>They are still disaster areas struggling to recovery.</p> <p>COMMUNITY CONCERNS Debris removal in unincorporated/ETJ areas of ALL the counties.</p>

<p>QUESTIONS/COMMENTS</p> <p>We noticed on the Alpha DRC spreadsheet that Victoria has a DRC on the map, but it is listed as an EOC on the second page.</p>	
Brazoria/Galveston	
<p>Continued delivery of fact sheets to houses of worship in the town of Brazoria. Delivery to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Joseph's Catholic Church (Father Tin Pham) • Greater Mount Zion Church (Pastor Roland Hendricks) • In God's Care Community Church (Pastor Reverend LD Griggs, Jr.) which was running a very active recovery center run during which we were asked to make an announcement of our presence. We received nice applause, and hearty thanks from patrons, church volunteers, and Reverend Griggs. <p>Galveston County</p> <p>Staffed FEMA DRC.</p> <p>Attend FEMA's Town Hall in Dickinson. The event ended up being a town hall for Congressman Randy Webber, with about 20 FEMA representatives and one from SBA.</p> <p>Visit Galveston DRC in League City.</p> <p>New DRC been established in Dickinson.</p> <p>QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:</p> <p>Informed residence using vinegar, hydrogen peroxide, etc on mold.</p> <p>Our fact sheet says next to nothing on what chemical and products can safely be used on mold, so something that augments that fact sheet with a list would be useful.</p> <p>COMMUNITY CONCERNS: No DRC in Brazoria County!!!</p>	
Montgomery	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit Montgomery County DRC located in Magnolia at 31355 Friendship Drive, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remaining donations to InterFaith and were directing people looking for donations to United Methodist

<p>Magnolia, TX, 77355 to hand out packages assembled with information from the Montgomery County Public Health Office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SOS location for clothing is at 603 Little Twig Lane, Magnolia, TX 77354 and we were able to give them some flyers (some from County Public Health and EPA) to have available for people to take if they want. • Visit the Lord of Life Lutheran Church at 3801 S Panther Creek Dr, The Woodlands, TX, 77381. 	<p>Church at 2200 lake Woodlands Dr, the Woodlands, TX.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit SOS locations the DRC is directing people to for food and clothing items. • The financial assistance and food pantry location is in the same building as the DRC. <p>Visit the United Methodist Church –9.16 last day for being open and they will be directing people to InterFaith of the Woodlands at 4242 InterFaith Way, The Woodlands, TX going forward.</p>
Fort Bend	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At today's Fort Bend Recovers County Communication Event, Congressman Pete Olson representing the 22nd District of Texas was in attendance. I introduced myself to him and thanked us for being there.(Per Kyle) Participated in the Fort Bend Recovers County Communication Event (see photos below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Connected with 26 Hurricane Harvey survivors directly. The following neighborhoods/areas were specifically identified as being impacted and having large debris piles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chappell Lane, Lake Olympia, Missouri City ▪ Westmoreland Street, Houston ○ In addition to several FEMA representatives and over thirty volunteers, our team connected with the following 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fort Bend County Social Services, Debra Zagala, Case Manager, debra.zagala@fortbendcountytx.gov, 281-403-8052 ▪ Redeemed Christian Church of God, Banjo Olaniyan, Pastor, bjay1997@gmail.com ▪ Catholic Charities, Shannon Granado, Disaster Program Coordinator, sgranado@catholiccharities.org ▪ Katy Christian Ministries, Alison Flores, Social Services Case Manager, Alison.Flores@ktcm.org, 281-391-5261 ext.4013 ▪ T.W. Davis Family YMCA, Kathy Szypulski, Senior Director of Healthy Living and Membership,

<p>organizations/people and emailed them factsheets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Attack Poverty, Brandon Baca, Senior Director, Program & Development, www.attackpoverty.org, brandon@attackpoverty.org, 281-844-8323 	<p>KathyS@ymcahouston.org 281-341-0791</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Congressman Pete Olson, representing the 22nd District of Texas attended the event. Kyle introduced herself and the Congressman was grateful EPA was there
JASPER NEWTON	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traveled to Port Arthur to check in that Area B command post and make them aware of our work in Jasper and Newton counties to operations branch manager, John Frey. • Visit Jasper-Newton-Sabine Emergency Operations Manager Billy Ted Smith revealed that the FEMA Individual Assistance team was in the community room at the Jasper County Courthouse Annex. • IA team would be signing up residence for aid for three days and FEMA will open a Disaster Recovery Center at the annex on Tuesday or Wednesday. • The team is ready to staff it with brochures and flyers already available. • FEMA shared information about the Newton County Disaster Survivor Assistance operating at the Deweyville Senior Center to sign up for assistance under the direction of Bernardo Garcia at 43435 HWY 87 in Orange, Texas. • The opening of the center in Jasper and DSA registration for Deweyville is exciting news and will allow the 	<p>The Health Department still would like any information regarding aerobic treatment systems.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We also toured several communities in western Jasper County to get a better feel of the population in that area and the impact of the storm. We will be sending the Jasper and Newton county elected officials a note providing them with key contacts for FEMA activities in the counties. <p>Questions regarding how to decontaminate systems that failed during the storm and flooding. Does EPA or TCEQ have documents explaining how to get the aerobic systems up and running properly?</p> <p>COMMUNITY CONCERNS</p> <p>Debris is still piled along the streets and roads, especially in Deweyville.</p> <p>We have not heard confirmation on whether a contract has been let by the counties to pick up debris.</p> <p>It also does not appear that debris is being segregated from building and construction debris. Several churches and schools had large piles of debris and people still working to clean out the buildings. We also saw a</p>

<p>people of these rural counties to move forward in their recovery from the hurricane.</p> <p>Deweyville was inundated by water until Thursday morning, Sept. 14.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EOM Smith also informed us that mosquito spraying in the county was not completely “off the table” and the Jasper County judge may reconsider. 	<p>number of gas stations and businesses that remain closed.</p> <p>Roads, bridges and infrastructure continues to be a concern in both counties with many of the roads that are normally used for school bus routes in need of drastic repair after being washed out by extensive flooding.</p>
Liberty	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team visited the city of Moss Bluff which is rural. The low-income area of Granada Lakes was heavily impacted by flooding. Lake on one side and Trinity River on other side. Area sandwiched between two water bodies and received approximately 22 inches of flood water. Area in desperate need of cleanup supplies and assistance due to severe mold damage in homes. Resident indicated he called Red Cross several times requesting for assistance but no one has visited the area as of yet. Team recommended residents visit Lowes to get free cleaning supplies. Residents indicted closes Lowes is 30 minutes away and most residents lost their vehicles in the flood. Residents did not have electricity for 11 days. Areas still heavily saturated. Resident also indicated insurance copy told them NOT to clean up their homes because inspectors needed to see the flood damage. Residents have both well water and septic tanks. <p>Team took photos.</p> <p>No Health Department in the Liberty County so residents have no means to test well water.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team saw and spoke to FEMA Inspector (Barry Appling) who was in the area performing inspections. He told the team he was about to go to the city of Ames to perform another inspection. Team visited the city of Ames (bordering Abbott Creek) but did not see any evidence of flooding. Team visited city of Kennefick and saw evidence of flooding. Rural area with very limited housing. 	

- Team visited the Kennefick Volunteer Fire Department and spoke with Mike Dupont, Assistant Chief, 3709 FM 1008, P.O. Box 441, Dayton, TX 77535 (281-515-8599 cell, 936-258-3319 office), chief2.kvfd@outlook.com Also spoke to Leon Wilson, Commission for Pct 4 Liberty County (936-402-5906). Leon.Wilson@co.liberty.TX.us who indicated 80% of homes were flooded.

Team will e-mail him EPA Fact Sheets and he will send to them. Also provided us with names and contacts of the Fire Departments in his precincts. To include Highway 321, West Lake, Dayton. Also provided Fire Department contacts in Hull, Daisetta and Hardin. Mr Leon Wilson also provided contacts for Commissioners in Precincts 1,2 and 3 for Liberty County. Fire Department said they tried to contact Red Cross but they would not come out.

- Team visited the city of Dayton Lakes and saw evidence of flooding.
- Team drove by Agricultural Life extension Office located in Liberty. Office closed but Team will visit on Monday, September 18, 2017.
- So far team has visited 13 cities in Liberty County: Liberty, Dayton, Ames, Raywood, Devers, Hardin, Hull, Sour Lake, Moss Bluff, Kennefick, Cleveland, Plum Grove, Dayton Lakes and the unincorporated area of Terreros Houston

59 families stop and obtain information; primarily on cleanup and mold with some more interest on information on private wells and septic.

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Several residents expressed concern with landlords painting over mold damaged areas.

Port Arthur/Beaumont/Jefferson

- Participated in the morning command briefing.
- Participated in the 8:30 a.m. daily conference call.
- Strategic Meeting to review list of contacts/leads and plan action moving forward.
- **Completed follow-up spreadsheet**
- Hand updated the Flood Cleanup and the Air in your Home booklets.
 - Crossed out the 800 number on page 22 that no longer routes to an EPA hotline.
 - Crossed out links on page 24 and replaced with working links:

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- Set up a weekly assignment calendar (electronic) to keep track of appointments.
- Two Birthing Barges are on hold for now due to safety checks (Port Arthur).

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- Water Testing Kits were requested by Jefferson County (Beaumont) 500-1,000. Will reach back out to the Emergency Management Office, Greg

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ www.cdc.gov/disasters/floods ▪ www.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes • Visit the Bob Bower Civic Center in Port Arthur where displaced residents are being housed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Contracted, under the Texas Emergency Management collaboration between FEMA, HUD & Health and Human Services and contracted by the State of Texas. Nonprofit organization made up of 4,000 employees, emergency responders, and ex-military personal ○ Currently have 250 beds ready and will be adding 250 more. Which includes 500 soft sided structures/tents. ○ Houses Men, Women, and Families. ○ Includes Clinic, Pharmacy, and Mess Hall. ○ Plan for a second site at the Mall in the old Hobby Lobby for 750 more individuals with the same amenities. ○ The Program director requested re-entry material and wants to provide copies to citizen as they transition into homes and were provided. ○ No pictures were taken because due to private of victims. ○ Current temporary residents were relocated from a School that will reopen in a few days. ○ The city is working on registration and prioritization. 	<p>Fountain to get clarification regarding kits and testing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some businesses were reluctant to take our thumb drive to download approved fact sheets. Moving forward will write a link to our website to the fact sheets on the back of our business cards. <p>SCHEDULED WORKED:</p> <p>Follow up with Victoria Pham, to give her the FEMA information about the Vietnamese translator. - Pamela</p> <p>Follow up with Ike about FEMA jobs and housing. - Paula</p> <p>Follow up with Hilton, jobs, Mega center. – Paula</p> <p>Greg Fountain – (MONDAY) Pastor Kalan Gardner inquiries about housing. Mold Remediation in Schools and Commercial Building booklet -Paula</p> <p>Plans to visit the local Buddhist Temple.</p> <p>Plans to visit the local Catholic Diocese of Beaumont.</p> <p>Plans to visit the local Islamic Center in Beaumont.</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Concerns with sharing this information widely was expressed by the managers.	
Orange/Chambers/Matagorda	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducted online research on the 3 counties looking for Non-Profit organizations, community based organizations and volunteer groups currently working in the counties.• Sent outreach materials and approved social media blitz links to the pastor of North Orange Baptist Church for dissemination to parishioners on FaceBook and to other Baptist Churches in the area. (Orange County)• Sent outreach materials and approved social media blitz links to the local leadership of the Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief Group to hand out as they conduct work in the area and to post on social media. (Orange County)• Created localized county maps to track and document outreach activities (in-house use only) (See email attachments) <p>QUESTIONS/COMMENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need Vietnamese, Spanish and Korean translations? (Orange, Chambers, Matagorda Counties)• News on Moisture Sensor acquisition? (Chambers County)	